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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ACP	African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States
AFSJ	Area of Freedom, Security and Justice
AQIM	Al-Qaeda Islamic Maghreb
Art.	Article
ATV	Air Transport Visa
BSE	Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy
BVerfG	<i>Bundesverfassungsgericht</i>
CAP	Common Agricultural Policy
CATS	Comité Article Trente-Six
CCI	Convergence and Competitiveness Instrument
CEEP	European Centre of Employers and and Enterprises providing Public services
CFI	Court of First Instance
CFR	Charter of Fundamental Rights
CFSP	Common Foreign and Security Policy
CISA	Convention Implementing the Schengen Agreement
CJEU	Court of Justice of the European Union
COE	Council of Europe
COSAC	Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs
COSI	Standing Committee on Internal Security
CPAS	Centre public d'aide sociale
CSDP	Common Security and Defence Policy
CSF	Common Strategic Framework
DG	Directorate General
EAEC	European Atomic Energy
EASO	European Asylum Support Office
EAW	European Arrest Warrant
EC	European Community
ECB	European Central Bank
ECHR	European Convention on Human Rights
ECJ	European Court of Justice
ECOFIN	Economic and Financial Affairs Council

List of Abbreviations

ECOWAS	Economic Community of West African States
ECSC	European Coal and Steel Community
ECtHR	European Court of Human Rights
ECU	European Currency Unit
EDIU	European Drug Intelligence Unit
EDP	Excessive Deficit Procedure
EEA	European Economic Area
EEAS	European External Action Service
EEB	European Environmental Bureau
EEC	European Economic Community
EES	European Employment Strategy
EESC	European Employment and Social Committee
EEW	European Evidence Warrant
EFSF	European Financial Stability Facility
EFSM	European Financial Stabilisation Mechanism
EFTA	European Free Trade Area
EIO	European Investigation Order
EIP	Excessive Imbalance Procedure
EMS	European Monetary System
EMU	Economic and Monetary Union
ENGO	Environmental Non-Governmental Organisation
ENVI Committee	Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety
EP	European Parliament
EPC	European Political Community
EPC	European Political Cooperation
EPP	Euro Plus Pact
EPPO	European Public Prosecutor Office
EPU	European Political Union
ERM	Exchange Rate Mechanism
ERTA	European Road Transport Agreement
ESA	EFTA Surveillance Authority
ESC	European Social Charter
ESCB	European System of Central Banks
ESCR	European Committee of Social Rights
ESF	European Social Fund
ESM	European Stability Mechanism
ESS	European Security Strategy
ETUC	European Trade Union Confederation
EU	European Union
EUCAP Sahel Niger	European Union CSDP mission in Niger
EUCFR	Union's Charter of Fundamental Rights
EUJUST LEX	European Union Integrated Rule of Law Mission for Iraq
EUJUST THEMIS	European Union Rule of Law Mission in Georgia
EULEX	European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo
EUROPOL	European Police Office

EUTM Mali	European Union military mission to contribute to the training of the Malian Armed Forces
EWS	Early Warning System
FD	Framework Decision
FPÖ	Freedom Party
FRA	Fundamental Rights Agency
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GLF	Greek Loan Facility
HR	High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy
ICJ	International Court of Justice
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organisation
ICESCR	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
IGC	Intergovernmental Conference
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IPPC	Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control
JHA	Justice and Home Affairs
LIBE Committee	Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs
MBM	Market-Based Measure
MCEL	Maastricht Centre for European Law
MEP	Members of European Parliament
MFN	Most Favoured Nation
MIP	Macroeconomic Imbalance Procedure
MLA	Mutual Legal Assistance
MP	Member of Parliament
MoU	Memorandum of Understanding
MTO	Medium-Term Budgetary Objectives
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organisation
NGO	Non-Governmental Organisation
NRP	National Reform Programme
NSR	National Strategy Report
OAPEC	Organisation of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries
OECD	Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
OJ	Official Journal
OLAF	Office Européen de Lutte Anti-fraude (European Anti-Fraud Office)
OMC	Open Method of Coordination
OMT	Outright Monetary Transaction
ONEm	Office national de l'emploi
OSCE	Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe
OVP	Austrian People's Party
PES	Party of European Socialists
PIL	Private International Law
PISA	Programme for International Student Assessment
PLO	Palestine Liberation Organisation

List of Abbreviations

PNR	Personal Name Record
PRD	Patients' Rights Directive
QMV	Qualified Majority Voting
RAF	Rote Armee Fraktion
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals
RED	Renewable Energy Directive
SCE	European Cooperative Society
SCG	Stability, Coordination and Governance
SCIFA	Strategic Committee on Immigration, Frontiers and Asylum
SCP	Stability and Convergence Programme
SEA	Single European Act
SGP	Stability and Growth Pact
SME	Small and Middle-sized Enterprises
SMP	Securities Markets Programme
SNM	Stichting Natuur en Milieu
SPA	Social Policy Agreement
SPE	European Private Company
SPPM	Social Protection Performance Monitor
SPSI	social protection and social inclusion
SPV	Special Purpose Vehicle
TACIS	Technical Assistance for the Commonwealth of Independent States
TEPSA	Trans European Policy Studies Association
TEU	Treaty on European Union
TFEU	Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
TREVI	Terrorisme, Radicalisme, Extrémisme et Violence Internationale
TSCG	Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance
UK	United Kingdom
UN	United Nations
UNECE	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
UNICE	Union of Industrial and Employers' Confederations of Europe
USA	United States of America
WEU	Western European Union
WTO	World Trade Organization
WWF	World Wild Fund



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FOREWORD

I take great pleasure, as the Dean of Maastricht University's Faculty of Law and a member of the Maastricht Centre for European Law (MCEL), to introduce this edited volume concerning the Maastricht Treaty and the development of EU law in the past two decades. This volume contains contributions written by authors who all are or were members of our Faculty or MCEL. This book is the product of a collective effort of dear colleagues and friends of mine all of whom I am proud to be associated with.

In addition it is a book that accurately reflects how our Faculty looks at EU law, both as regards education as well as research. The European law programmes that we offer, both at the Bachelor and Master levels, essentially study EU law from two different but complementary angles. The first entails a top-down approach, studying EU law and analysing how it impacts on national law. The second is rather a bottom-up approach and explores how national law, or the common law of Europe, can help to advance EU Law. This book does exactly the same: it brings together contributions written from an EU law perspective and articles viewing and analysing the Maastricht Treaty from a national angle. In so doing, the book also offers new insights and enhances our understanding of the impact the Treaty has had.

A wide variety of topics are touched upon in this book, including the 'classic' ones that have consistently dominated debates on 'Maastricht' – such as EMU, the so-called second and third pillars and Union citizenship – as well as less eye-catching topics but nonetheless significant ones – such as the European Parliament's right of enquiry, industrial and internal market policy or consumer policy. Each of the contributions gives a proper answer to the questions of what Maastricht has introduced in the field in question, why this was done and what the impact of these changes has been in the last 20 years. The answers to the latter question differ. There are failures, there are success stories and in some cases the jury is still out. Views on 'how important Maastricht has been' may differ – from topic to topic, from discipline to discipline, from country to country –, but there is no denying that the Treaty on European Union has had an impact that perhaps no other European treaty has had. The Treaty, and thus the city where it was signed and adopted, are simply part of European history.

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I thank and compliment all those who have contributed to this volume and whole-heartedly recommend it to all those having an interest in European law and politics.

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